

REMARKS

Claims 4 to 7 are pending in the application.

Claim 4 has been amended such that the amendments correspond to the previously filed version of the claim, as requested by the Examiner.

The Applicants submit that no new matter has been added by the present amendments.

It is submitted, therefore, that the claims are in condition for allowance. Reconsideration of the Examiner's rejections is respectfully requested. Allowance of claims 4 to 7 at an early date is solicited.

In the event that there are any questions concerning this amendment or the application in general, the Examiner is respectfully urged to telephone the undersigned so that prosecution of this application may be expedited.

Respectfully submitted,

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